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TO: All Personnel of CIA

I understand that our contributions to the American Red Cross are lagging considerably behind last year's returns at this point in the current campaign. We are now in the third quarter of the drive, and yet we for the last year. At the same time, community-wide donations exceed Red Cross estimates for that source.

While I fully appreciate the nature of our respective personal financial problems, I wish to make the observation that the Red Cross and Community Chest drives are the only Agency-wide solicitations conducted annually. I sincerely hope that each of you will make a contribution to the extent that your circumstances permit, and that you will do this before the end of this week when the drive closes.

I am sure that none of us wishes this Agency to be the object of unfavorable comparison with other departments of Government in the measure of our response to this process.

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